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Applicant : David R. Hennings  
Filing Date : October 30, 2003  
Title : Endovenous Closure of Varicose Veins with Mid-Infrared Laser  
Group Art Unit : 3735  
Examiner : David M. Shay  
Docket No. : 15487.4002  
Customer No. : 34313

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“There are no known related appeals or interferences”.

Thus, the entry under this section is identical to the suggested language “None”.

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Respectfully submitted,

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***Related Appeals and Interferences***

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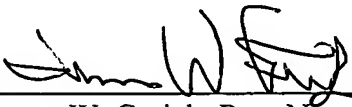
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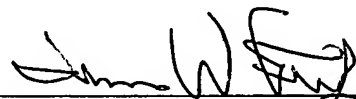
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